

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (original): A soft magnetic material comprising:

a metal magnetic powder, said metal magnetic powder being formed from crystals having an average size, as determined by X-ray diffraction, of at least 30 nm, and from crystal grain having an average size of at least 10 microns.

Claim 2 (original): A soft magnetic material as described in claim 1 wherein, in said metal magnetic particle, an average size of a crystal is at least 60 nm.

Claim 3 (currently amended): A soft magnetic material as described in claim 1 ~~or claim 2~~ further comprising a plurality of compound magnetic particles including said metal magnetic particles and an insulative film surrounding a surface of said metal magnetic particles.

Claim 4 (original): A soft magnetic material as described in claim 3 further comprising an organic matter bonding said plurality of compound magnetic particles to each other.

Claim 5 (currently amended): A powder magnetic core made using a soft magnetic material as described in ~~any one of claim 1 through claim 4.~~

Claim 6 (new): A soft magnetic material as described in claim 2 further comprising a plurality of compound magnetic particles including said metal magnetic particles and an insulative film surrounding a surface of said metal magnetic particles.

Claim 7 (new): A soft magnetic material as described in claim 6 further comprising an organic matter bonding said plurality of compound magnetic particles to each other.